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### COVER

The picture on the cover was taken at the John Muir Elementary School in San Francisco. It shows the children making toys as a part of the regular activities of the Christmas season.

# The Program of Secondary Education

Aubrey A. Douglass, Chief, Division of Secondary Education

In cooperation with other divisions of the California State Department of Education, and with other educational agencies of the state, the Division of Secondary Education expects to advance a comprehensive program dealing with the secondary schools. This program will involve a study of the cooperating schools, a study of the junior colleges, and cooperation with recently appointed agents in the offices of county superintendents who will further the program of secondary education in the counties.

About four years ago a group of cooperating schools was arranged. These schools were permitted to modify their programs in any way they deemed desirable or necessary. The University of California and other four-year institutions in the state agreed to admit the graduates of these schools to their freshman classes upon recommendation of the principals of the cooperating schools. Developments which had taken place through the school year of 1934-35 were described in a bulletin of the State Department of Education, published in October, 1936.<sup>1</sup>

Within the last three years considerable experimentation has been carried on in the organization and arrangement of teaching and learning materials in these schools. Mathematics has often been placed in grades nine and ten, orientation units have been developed for incoming pupils, "senior problems" courses have appeared, and other changes have occurred. It is proposed to study these developments, and to prepare a publication which will adequately describe them. To this end, a majority of the cooperating schools have been visited within the past few weeks. Classes have been visited, and discussions held with administrators and teachers. The remaining schools will be visited within a short time. A description will then be prepared of developments.

In work of visitation, representatives of the Division have had the cooperation and the assistance of other members of the Department of Education, administrative and other officials from the school systems, and members of the Committee on Cooperating Schools. This

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Recent Developments in Secondary Education in California. State of California Department of Education, Bulletin No. 6, October 1, 1936. (Out of print.)

committee, appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, is to act as the official directive and consulting body for the cooperating schools. Its members are

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Upon the conclusion of visitation, a preliminary draft of the manuscript describing developments will be submitted to the administrative officers of the cooperating schools and to members of the committee.

This description will be examined in a joint meeting of the State Committee on Cooperating Schools, representatives of the schools themselves, and such other persons as may be interested in making a critical evaluation of the program. It is expected that the final result will be published.

Administrators and others interested in the development of a new program for senior and four-year high schools have been interested for some time in securing an individual who could devote his full time to the development in the cooperating schools.

Several months ago, at the request of the administrative heads of these schools, the Superintendent of Public Instruction presented a request to one of the educational foundations for financial assistance to be used in promoting the program. At that time, the representative of the educational foundation showed little interest in the program. Objections were raised on the ground that the program itself had not been well planned and that the University of California was not cooperating as fully as desirable with the schools. Subsequent developments have materially modified this opinion. As a result, the request for financial assistance has been renewed, and there is at least some assurance that it will be granted. An announcement of the outcome will appear shortly in California Schools.

While the cooperating schools are regarded as leaders in the movement to improve school practices, it should be pointed out that a number of other senior and four-year high schools in the state have not neglected their programs. Of the 400 senior and four-year high

schools in the state, some 25 per cent have initiated practices of an experimental or semiexperimental nature. These practices pertain to basic or core curriculums, to remedial work in reading, mathematics and English skills, to orientation for first-year students, and to senior problems courses for twelfth-grade students. It is the hope that the intensive study of curriculum practices in the cooperating schools may be extended to a large number of the senior and four-year high schools of the state.

The junior colleges continue to attract increasing numbers of students. At the present time, their strongest curriculum is probably the college preparatory or college transfer curriculum. Recent years have, however, witnessed rapid development in allied fields. The general curriculum for students who expect to end their period of education with the junior college, and who do not desire technical training, has been greatly strengthened. In a similar manner, much development has occurred in the semiprofessional terminal courses. These courses enroll larger proportions of students than formerly and they are better organized than they were a few years ago. Similarly, the adult education program has been greatly advanced. Junior colleges, more and more, are becoming community institutions, alive to the needs and desires of their patrons.

A number of communities have not established junior colleges. Of this group, several are interested in doing so, and have made corresponding requests to the State Board of Education. In other instances, formal requests for permission to establish junior colleges have not been made, although studies have been made of local problems and community interest has been developed.

It will be evident that there should be a state-wide plan to guide the organization of new junior colleges. In recognition of this need, the State Board of Education requested, several months ago, that an investigation be made of existing facilities and of probable developments.

The study of California junior colleges will also examine the ways and means by which the junior colleges serve the youth of the state. Although it is known in a general way what the junior colleges are doing, precise information is lacking with respect to the number and extent of existing curriculums and the patronage of these curriculums by students. It is not known, from the standpoint of the state, how many students enroll in terminal courses and how many are enrolled in college transfer courses. It is not known how many young people, sixteen to twenty-one years of age, are in school, at work, or out of school and unemployed. These statements indicate the general direction it is expected that the study of junior colleges will take.

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In 1937 legislation was passed, authorizing county superintendents of schools to set aside funds for preparation and coordination of secondary school courses of study—an important phase of supervision.¹ Of the fifty-eight county superintendents, thirty-three made provisions in their budgets for expenditures for this type of supervision. While all of these counties have not yet succeeded in making final arrangements for supervisorial facilities, a number have done so. Individuals have been selected to join the staff of the county superintendent of schools and to assist the high schools of the county in whatever manner may seem feasible and desirable. It is the desire of the Division of Secondary Education, in cooperation with other Divisions of the State Department of Education and especially the Division of Elementary Education, to further in every possible way this program for the improvement of the schools.

Meetings have been held with these new officials, in which the time was given, for the most part, to an exchange of plans and a comparison of problems. Without exception, the attitude and the procedure are to offer the services of the county superintendent's office to the high schools, and to depend upon the teachers and principals to indicate the problems which should receive attention. So far, these have to do, for the most part, with remedial reading and English expression, orientation for first-year students, and with the purposes, organization, content and methods of courses. In several instances the county supervisors have assisted in, or have assumed responsibility for, comprehensive testing programs. In a few instances it was reported that the attitude of administrators and teachers made it extremely difficult for the county agent to assist certain schools.

It was also generally reported that the county superintendents were taking the attitude that supervision in the secondary schools should be closely and definitely related to supervision in the elementary schools. The superintendents apparently are quite conscious of the gap that often exists between the two levels or areas of the schools. They desire, if possible, to eliminate the gap. This is sound educational procedure, and the county superintendents are to be commended for their foresight.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> School Code section 4.252.

# **DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS**

### Office of the Administrative Adviser

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### ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL BUS REGULATIONS

The Superintendent of Public Instruction has created an Advisory Committee on School Bus Regulations to be composed of representatives of the various state-wide public school organizations. The first meeting of the Committee will be held in Sacramento December 17, at the Library and Courts Building, at 10 o'clock a.m. Dr. Dexter has invited the president of each of the following organizations to designate a representative to serve on the Committee: Association of Elementary School Principals, Association of Secondary School Principals, Association of School Superintendents, Congress of Parents and Teachers, School Trustees Association, and Public School Business Officials Association.

The Committee has been formed for the purpose of studying the State Board of Education Regulations Governing Pupil Transportation and making recommendations in connection with the existing regulations and such changes therein as may be proposed from time to time.

## Division of Elementary Education

HELEN HEFFERNAN, Chief

# CENTRAL SECTION ELEMENTARY PRINCIPALS MEETING AT FRESNO DECEMBER 9 AND 10, 1938

The annual regional conference of the California Elementary School Principals' Association, Central Section, called by the California State Department of Education will be held December 9 and 10, at Fresno State College, Fresno.

In lieu of the usual regional meeting, the principals and district superintendents of the Central Section are urged to attend the Conference on the Education of Children of Seasonal Workers, December 9 and 10, and participate in the discussion of the timely and vital subjects to be considered then. This change in the usual procedure has been approved by the council of the Association.

Many principals of the Central Section are faced with tremendous problems in relation to the children of seasonal workers. It is hoped that this conference may suggest solutions to some of the most pressing of these problems. At noon on Saturday, December 10, the Central Section will hold a special luncheon meeting for the transaction of business at the Omar Khayyam Cafe. Luncheon reservations should be made through A. C. Young, Webster School, Fresno.

### Division of Textbooks and Publications

IVAN R. WATERMAN, Chief

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION BULLETINS AVAILABLE

Copies of the following publications of the State Department of Education dealing with various phases of physical education are available from the Division of Textbooks and Publications as indicated below.

Achievement Scales in Physical Education Activities for Boys and Girls in Elementary and Junior High Schools.

Copies of this book will be furnished free of charge for use in California public elementary schools and junior high schools upon request from superintendents of schools, directors and supervisors of physical education, and elementary and junior high school principals. The price a single copy to others is 75 cents (plus 2 cents sales tax).

Special Activities in Physical Education for High School and Adult Groups. State of California Department of Education Bulletin No. 14, July 15, 1934.

Copies of this bulletin will be furnished free to California public school officials. Although primarily intended for the high school and adult level, many of the activities described are appropriate for elementary schools. The price a single copy to others is 15 cents (plus 1 cent sales tax); in lots of ten or more, 20 cents (plus 1 cent sales tax).

A Score Card for Evaluating Physical Education Programs for High School Boys. Bulletin No. E-2.

A Score Card for Evaluating Physical Education Programs for High School Girls. Bulletin No. E-3.

Copies of these two bulletins will be furnished free to administrators and physical education instructors in California public secondary schools. The price a single copy to others is 25 cents (plus 1 cent sales tax).

Physical Education in Small Rural Schools. State of California Department of Education Bulletin No. 2, April 15, 1938.

Copies of this bulletin were distributed to county superintendents of schools at the beginning of the current school year for redistribution to small elementary schools under their jurisdiction. County superintendents wishing additional copies for further distribution to such schools will be provided them upon request. The price a single copy to others is 25 cents (plus 1 cent sales tax).

School Vision Chart. Prepared by The California State Department of Education, 1930.

Charts for teachers to use in testing the vision of school children will be furnished without charge upon request from public school administrators.

# INTERPRETATIONS OF SCHOOL LAW

### SUPREME COURT DECISION

Liability of School District for Injury to Pupil Resulting from Operation of Private Motor Vehicles on School Grounds

Where it appears from the complaint filed by a student of a high school district and others, in an action for damages, that the student was a member of a required class in physical education and was proceeding from the gymnasium to the playgrounds of the school over a course which lay entirely within the confines of the premises of the high school under the care, supervision, and control of the instructor of such class, and while so proceeding was struck by a garbage truck being driven on the school grounds with the knowledge and consent of the district, its officers, agents, servants, and employees, and that neither the district nor its agents, servants, and employees had established any regulations to prevent such accident, although aware of the danger to pupils, the complaint is good as against a general demurrer and special demurrer alleging the complaint did not state a cause of action, and, since the complaint alleged that the plaintiff had filed a claim in accordance with and in obedience to the law of the State of California in said connection, as against a special demurrer that the claim of the plaintiff was not verified.

When the driver of a privately owned vehicle is given permission by the governing board of a school district to drive on school premises, in the absence of any special conditions or regulations fixed by the governing board of the district, the driver is subject to special provisions of the Vehicle Code (section 511(b)), applying to school premises, and to all the provisions of the Vehicle Code relating to traffic on highways.

The right of the governing board of a school district to prescribe conditions and regulations for the entry of vehicles on school premises exists independently of Vehicle Code section 603, in School Code section 6.1. Vehicle Code section 603 makes the provisions of the Vehicle Code relating to traffic on the highways applicable to vehicles permitted by the school authorities to enter on school premises but does not, because of the provision of School Code section 2.801, relieve a school district from liability if its officers negligently fail to impose conditions and regulations which an exercise of due care dictates for the safety of pupils. This does not make school districts insurers of safety of children on the premises. The question of whether there has been negligence in permitting vehicles on school premises subject only

to the provisions of the Vehicle Code relating to traffic on the highways is to be determined on the facts of each case. (*Taylor* v. *Oakland High School District etc.*, 96 C.D. 462, superseding decision of Appellate Court, 92 C.A.D. 84 (page 71, March, 1938, California Schools))

### APPELLATE COURT DECISIONS

### Compensation of Teacher on Leave of Absence

Where, in an action brought by a school district to restrain a county superintendent of schools from drawing his warrant on the funds of the district in favor of a teacher of the district for salary which the Superintendent of Public Instruction had under School Code sections 5.760-5.761 determined was due said teacher, the complaint of the district alleged that the teacher had been granted a leave of absence for one school year but it did not clearly appear that the leave of absence was granted for the purpose of study or travel or that a written agreement for compensation to the teacher during such leave of absence had been entered into between the teacher and the governing board, it cannot be presumed that the leave of absence was granted under School Code section 5.722. Nor could it be said that the leave of absence was granted under School Code section 5.750, since that section presumably applies to absence from duty for which no leave of absence has been obtained. In the absence of any contention that the leave of absence was granted under School Code section 5.721, it may be concluded that the leave of absence was granted under School Code section 5.720.

The action taken by the Superintendent of Public Instruction was void, because a refusal to pay compensation during a leave of absence is not a withholding of salary under School Code sections 5.760 and 5.761. It is difficult to conceive that a teacher granted an unqualified leave of absence from performing any service for one year can be said to be entitled to recompense by way of salary. (Standard School District v. Healy et al., 93 C. A. D. 358, \_\_ \_\_Pac. (2d) \_\_)

### Purchase of Textbooks by Governing Boards of High School Districts

School Code sections 6.370 to 6.460 do not require the governing board of a high school district to purchase textbooks from the publishers, their agents, or depositories, exclusively, and such board may purchase such books by competitive bidding under School Code section 6.31, it being the duty of such board to purchase such books at a price lower than that fixed by the publishers if it is possible to do so. Chandler v. Los Angeles City High School District, 95 C. A. D. 45, \_\_ Pac. (2d) \_\_)

### ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINIONS

### Annexation of Elementary School Districts to High School Districts

Where two elementary school districts adjoin each other, but only one of such districts is contiguous to a high school district, both elementary school districts can not be annexed under School Code sections 2.640 et seq. at the same time, and the elementary school district not contiguous to the high school district should not be annexed thereto under said sections until it is made contiguous to the high school district by an order annexing the present contiguous elementary school district to the high school district. (A. G. O. NS1216, October 4, 1938)

### Change of Location of High Schools

School Code section 6.140 does not relate to the change of location of high schools, which procedure is controlled by School Code sections 6.150-6.159. The change of location of the high school of a union high school district from one elementary school district to another elementary school district is controlled by School Code section 6.157, and a petition filed under said section must be signed by two-thirds of the heads of families of the high school district, whether such families have children attending said high school or not. (A. G. O. NS1238, October 14, 1938)

# Insuring of Personal Liability of Members of the Board of Governors of the California Nautical School

Neither the Board of Governors of the California Nautical School nor the State Department of Education has any authority to insure the members of the said Board of Governors against any personal liability which may be imposed upon them by law, and resulting from acts committed by such members while acting within the scope of their offices (citing A. G. O. Nos. NS1213 and 7493). (A. G. O. NS1213a, October 28, 1938)

### Insuring of Personal Liability of Public Officers and Employees

The constitutionality of those provisions of Deering Act 5150 (Statutes 1931, page 2476) providing for the insuring of the personal liability of officers or employees of the State, counties, eities and counties, municipalities, and school districts is doubtful, in that such insurance may constitute a gift of public moneys within the meaning of section 31 of Article IV of the State Constitution. (A. G. O. NS1213, September 29, 1938, and A. G. O. NS1213a, October 28, 1938)

### Use of Accumulative Building Fund to Repay Federal Advances

A school district may not provide for the repayment from the special accumulative building fund of the district (School Code sections 4.291-4.292) of an obligation due the Works Progress Administration for moneys advanced for the financing of a project, since such fund was not intended to permit a school district to incur a present indebtedness and liquidate the same over a period of years. To permit such fund to be so used would abuse it for the obvious purpose of circumventing section 18 of Article XI of the State Constitution. (A. G. O. NS1257, October 22, 1938)

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

### COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES SCHOLARSHIP

The Colorado School of Mines offers to a California student a four-year scholarship, the annual value of which is approximately \$250 in tuition and fees. Application for this scholarship, which should be forwarded to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, may be made by any person who is a recent high school graduate or has had several years of college work and who has scholastic standing in at least the upper third of his high school, preparatory, or college classes.

The applicant must be a new student or a student not in attendance at the Colorado School of Mines at the time of application.

School administrators are requested to recommend to the Superintendent of Public Instruction, not later than June 15, 1939, any student who may be interested in and eligible for this award, submitting a transcript of the applicant's high school or college record and as many letters of recommendation as they may wish to send.

Information concerning entrance requirements may be obtained by writing to Jesse R. Morgan, Dean, Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado.

### UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO ROUND TABLE BROADCAST MATERIALS AVAILABLE

The University of Chicago Round Table broadcast, featuring informal discussions of contemporary problems by University of Chicago professors, has just completed its fifth year on the coast-to-coast Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company. The program may be heard on the Pacific Coast on Sunday morning from 9:30 to 10:00.

In an effort to stimulate in students an interest in topics of current economic and social significance, the University of Chicago has prepared, for distribution to schools and libraries, Round Table posters, to which cards containing information relating to coming programs may be attached. The cards have an announcement of the subject of the broadcast, the name of the speakers, and the suggested readings on the topic to be discussed.

Teachers who may be interested in obtaining this material should apply to Brownlee Haydon, Director of Radio Publicity, University of Chicago.

### ALAMEDA SCHOOL OF THE AIR BROADCAST

Educational radio programs to be released during December, 1938, and January, 1939, over Station KLX, Oakland, have just been announced by Erle A. Kenney, Director of the Alameda School of the Air. The following schedule of broadcasts has been announced for the two months:

Great Moments from Literature,	Monday,	1:30	to	1:45
United States History Program,	Tuesday,	1:30	to	1:45
California History Program,	Wednesday,	1:30	to	1:45
Sonny's Magic Merry-go-round,	Thursday,	11:15	to	11:30
Classic Myths,	Thursday,	1:30	to	1:45
The Workshop,	Friday.	1:30	to	1:45

### "SCHOOLS OF DEMOCRACY" BROADCAST

"Schools of Democracy," a special series of nationwide radio programs are broadcast over the National Broadcasting Company's Red Network on Wednesday from 3:00 to 3:15 PST. The programs are dramatic interpretations of the principal recommendations in the recent reports of the Educational Policies Commission.

The Commission is cooperating with the National Broadcasting Company in preparing these dramatic episodes which depict the aspirations of the common people for their children.

### NATIONAL PARENT EDUCATION BROADCAST

The real "dramas" that education introduces to millions of Americans in their homes, schools, and communities will be broadcast in a new radio series, "Wings for the Martins," every Wednesday evening from 9:30 to 10:00 during November and December. Prepared and presented by the Office of Education, United States Department of the Interior, the programs will be produced with the cooperation of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, and the National Broadcasting Company.

Program supervisor for the series, Miss Effie Bathhurst, Office of Education specialist in curricular problems, and Miss Tolosa Cook, Des Moines, Iowa, teacher, author, and curriculum specialist, have conducted the preliminary research. Miss Pauline Gibson is the author of the 26 half-hour scripts.

The weekly broadcasts for December are announced as follows: Let's Give Them Books, December 7; Keeping the Family Well, December 14; She Hasn't a Thing to Wear, December 21; No Fun at Home? December 28.

# SPECIAL TICKETS FOR GOLDEN GATE INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION OFFERED TO STUDENTS

Special tickets have been made available for elementary, junior, and senior high school students by the board of management of the Golden Gate International Exposition.

For a limited time only it is planned to sell twelve Junior Souvenir Tickets of Admission—a value of \$3.00—for \$2.50.

Further information regarding student tickets may be had from H. C. Bottorff, Executive Secretary, 585 Bush Street, San Francisco.

### HISTORICAL RECORDS SURVEY CONFERENCE

At the request of the Historical Records Survey the program committee of the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association has issued a call for a conference of state and local historical societies and of other agencies interested in local historical studies to meet at Stanford University, Palo Alto, on December 28. This meeting is of particular interest to social science teachers and to persons engaged in advanced academic study or concerned with promoting local scholarship activities.

The primary object of the conference is to discuss developments which tend to increase emphasis on local historical studies and to bring a new level of importance and dignity to amateur historical scholarship.

The program will consist of a morning session and a luncheon for the representatives of the state and local historical agencies or individuals or groups interested in local history. The afternoon session and evening smoker will be held jointly with the Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association. Inquiries concerning the Conference should be addressed to Colonel J. M. Scammell, 525 Oakland Avenue, Oakland.

# PROFESSIONAL LITERATURE

### **REVIEWS**

EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMISSION. The Purposes of Education in American Democracy. Washington: Educational Policies Commission, 1938. Pp. x + 158.

This pronouncement of basic educational policy by the Educational Policies Commission completes the series on Education in American Democracy. The two previous pronouncements were *The Unique Function of Education in American Democracy* (1937) and *The Structure and Administration of Education in American Democracy* (1938).

The report is outstanding for its simplicity and clarity of expression and logical organization. It will undoubtedly justify the Commission's hope that it may be influential in modifying classroom and administrative procedure—far more so in fact than most of the more ponderous utterances and writings on educational theory.

The preface presents in the same straightforward style which characterizes the entire volume, the belief of the Commission as to "what . . . the schools of the United States ought to try to accomplish" and "some of the things which . . .

need to be done if these purposes are to be realized."

Chapter I, on "The Nature and Sources of Educational Objectives," showing how educational purposes are bound up with general social policy, paves the way for a discussion of "Democratic Processes." Here is presented the fundamental tenet that acceptance of democracy as the American way of life sets the central purpose of education. It therefore follows that analysis of democratic ways of living is prerequisite to the formulation of educational purposes. Five essentials of democracy are next presented and their implications for education considered at some length: general welfare, civil liberty, the consent of the governed, the appeal to reason, and the pursuit of happiness.

Chapter III reviews briefly some of the classifications of educational objectives that have had the greatest influence on educational thought and practice and then proposes a new classification for grouping objectives under the following four categories: (1) the objectives of self-realization, (2) the objectives of human relationship, (3) the objectives of economic efficiency, and (4) the objectives of civic responsibility. This classification is not intended to imply that educational purposes may be sharply divided into mutually exclusive compartments; rather the four types of objectives are offered as "a series of vantage points from which the purposes of education may be studied, the total result being a comprehensive view of the whole."

A separate chapter is devoted to each group of objectives. More specific purposes of education are implied by a series of statements characterizing the results of education. For example:

The educated person has an appetite for learning.

The educated person writes the mother tongue effectively.

The educated person enjoys a rich, sincere, and varied social life.

The educated person maintains democratic family relationships.

The educated producer succeeds in his vocation.

The educated consumer is an informed and skillful buyer.

The educated citizen is sensitive to the disparities of human circumstance.

The educated citizen accepts his civic duties.

From one to several paragraphs are devoted to an elaboration of each of the purposes.

The final chapter entitled "Critical Factors in the Attainment of Educational Purposes" treats three groups of conditions which limit the effectiveness of the school in attaining its objectives: (1) the inherent quality of the human stock which is to be educated, (2) the effects of other educative and maleducative agencies outside the schools, and (3) the efficiency of the schools themselves.

IVAN R. WATERMAN

DOUGLASS, AUBREY A. Modern Secondary Education. Boston: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1938. Pp. xviii + 782.

Twelve years ago Dr. Douglass' book, Secondary Education, was published, and immediately was one of the most widely used textbooks and references on the subject. This new volume is far more than a revision of the former book. Although its general organization is similar to that of the former, the method of treatment in most of the chapters is distinctly different. New data supplant and augment the old, and the total amount of material is about 30 per cent greater.

Leonard V. Koos, Professor of Education at the University of Chicago, says of the book in an editorial in the October, 1938, number of the School Review:

The new edition is, in the opinion of this editor, the best general treatise on secondary education now in print. Among its elements of superiority are its comprehensiveness and its illuminating use of a vast body of factual material descriptive of the secondary school, past, present, and emerging.

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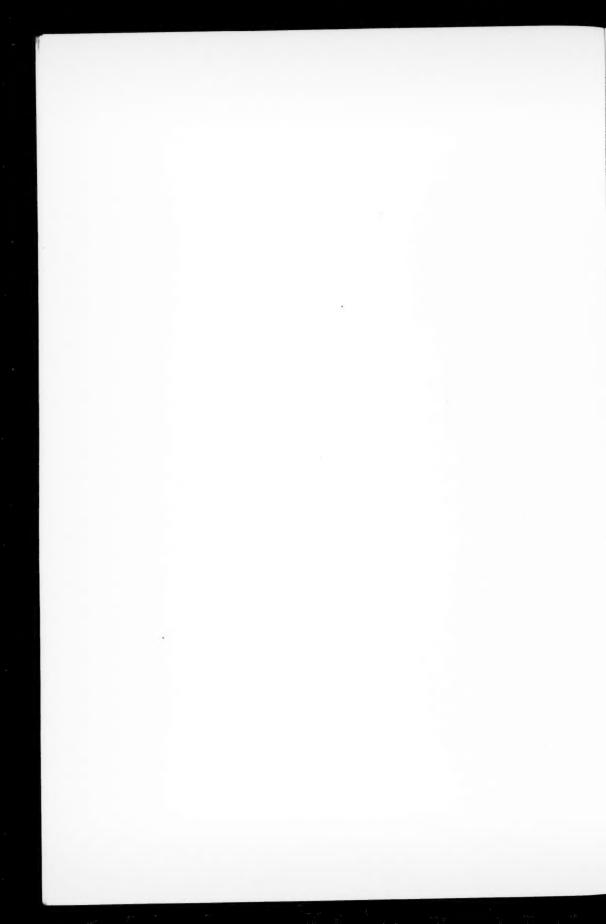
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